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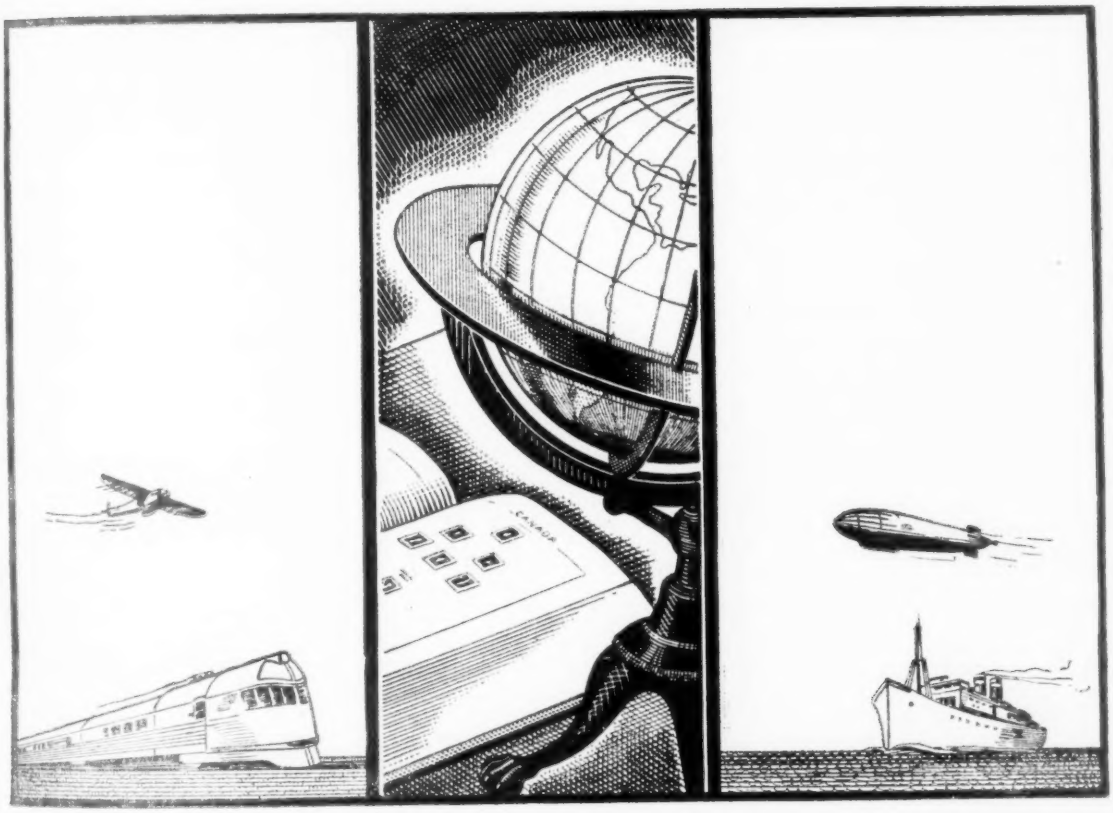

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The King of Stamp Collectors

THE sudden death on January 20, after a brief illness, of H. M. George V, will be mourned by stamp collectors more than by any other class of citizens throughout the world for he was beloved by stamp collectors as a brother.

On May 6, 1935 he completed the twenty-fifth year of his reign, at which time silver jubilee stamps were issued in Great Britain and in British Possessions and Dominions throughout the world. A total of 62 different issues totaling 249 different stamps.

These stamps will forever remain as a fitting memorial to a man who has been an inspiration to every stamp collector as well as a man who has been a stalwart figure in the momentous days of his reign, a period in world history that has been more trying than that ever before faced by a British King.

King George was 70 years old June 3, 1935.

His stamp collection is comprised solely of stamps of Great Britain and the British Empire. He first started collecting when as a sailor prince he traveled throughout the world.

The collection is a vast one, housed in more than 200 albums, each a specialized showing of the stamps contained therein.

It is doubtless a fact that the collection of King George is the finest and most unique collection of stamps of the British Empire that has ever been assembled. Even tho it lacked the mangy copy of the rare British Guiana stamp which was bought by the late Arthur Hind. It must have contained thousands of interesting specimens of British and Colonial pieces that were unique and which only a King might hope to own.

Collectors who have favored British Colonial issues of which there is no group of stamps more interesting and more stable, will soon be obliged to gather new stamps which will bear the portrait of the late Prince of Wales, now H. M. Edward VIII. British custom calls for the picture of its ruler on both its currency and coins as well as on its postage stamps. This custom has been followed by most of the Colonial possessions as well as Canada, Australia and the other self-governing Territories.

Edward VIII as the Prince of Wales has already been pictured on stamps of some of these countries, notably the Royal Family set of Newfoundland and the more recent Canadian issues.

Activity in British Colonial Collecting circles will be quite heavy for the next twelve months. There will be a rush by collectors to complete their present George sets before the stamps are discontinued and in the meantime, there will be an eager preparation to gather the new stamps of Edward VIII.

The new King is a bachelor and it would not be surprising should he remain as such throughout his reign. He has shown himself to be quite democratic, nearer to the people than the former Kings of Great Britain. Perhaps his active life in a war maddened world, in a world so full of plenty for some and so full of misery and poverty for others, all of which he has met face to face and shoulder to shoulder with the people, may give him a different outlook on life and bring better times, through a better understanding, to his people.

The Apes of Gibraltar

BY DON HOUSEWORTH

"The voyage home has taken more time than expected, partly due to the fact we brought out a detachment of troops from England and landed the men at Gibraltar."

These are troublesome times along the Mediterranean shipping lanes and the above exerpt from a letter just received served to recall that prophetic line: "When the apes leave Gibraltar, the English will leave also".

My correspondent failed to mention the present ape population of the rock but it is small and a few years back it became necessary to import a male in order to prevent quick extinction of the colony.

The military history of the Mediterranean landmark is quite well known but the stories of the apes that have inhabited the rock for centuries excite new interest in the British possession. There has been but one issue of Gibraltar stamps showing the rock and this design, unhappily, fails to attract attention to the mammoth caves which draw many tourists there. Some of the caverns have never been fully explored and there is a belief in some quarters that one of the caves is really a passage under the Mediterranean to Africa through which the original Barbary apes reached Gibraltar. This theory finds some support in the fact that the apes disappear when they die. There are other students who cling to the opinion that the Mediterranean was once an inland sea, cut off from the Atlantic by a continuation of Gibraltar to the African coast. They explain that a sinking of the earth has left only the towering rock above the water.

Be that as it may, the apes have lived in the more inaccessible reaches of Gibraltar for a long time but with the encroachment of humans and with their own numbers dwindling, the animals have retreated and there are residents of the peninsula who have never seen one. It is said that British soldiers, constructing the fortifications on Gibraltar, found the hairy fellows the more serious obstruction to their labor for the apes resented the intrusion and hurled sticks and stones at the men.

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Sam Houston came of Scotch-Irish parentage, was born near Lexington, Virginia, March 2, 1793. At thirteen his father died and the family moved to Blount County, Tennessee. Two years after that Sam was a clerk in a trader's store, but shortly ran away and, for three years thereafter, lived among, and with, the Cherokee Indians!

When Sam Houston finally returned home it was to open a country school, then to enter the military academy at Maryville, Tenn. for a session, after which, during the War of 1812, Sam served under Andrew Jackson against the Creek Indians. At the end of that conflict, Houston went to Nashville, entered a law office, and was soon admitted to the bar. From there, he ran for and was elected to Congress from the 9th Tennessee district.

Being aggressive, he was elected Tennessee governor, married in 1829 and was left by his wife three months thereafter. Consequently resigning his governorship, he returned to the Cherokee Indians, was adopted by them and lived with them. But Jackson, then president, gave him a commission to Texas, to seek treaties to protect U. S. traders on the border. Once down there, Sam Houston decided to remain. He liked the country well.

Those were then momentous times. Texas applied to become a separate state in Mexico; Houston was elected as a delegate to its constitutional convention, at San Felipe, 1833. Mexico refused the overtures, and Texas rebelled. Houston was chosen then and there as commander in chief of Texan armies; and the Texas war with Mexico began. On the 21st of April, 1836, with only 743 troops, Houston beat a Mexican force at San Jacinto, comprising 1,600 soldiers under General Santa Anna!

Then America joined the war, Mexico was crushed, and Texas selected Houston as its president, electing him Sept. 1, 1836. He was reelected in 1841 and served to 1844. Texas became a part of the U. S. A. the following year. And Houston, for his services, was made Senator from Texas. In 1859 he became governor of the new and largest American state; but when he refused to agree to the Southern Confederacy he was deposed. He retired to Huntsville, Tex., where he died July 26, 1863, having lived an eventful life, filled with action and steady rising. The new postage stamp pays direct deference to this Texan who loved the Indians, loved independence, loved fighting, and won an undying name in American history by his acts.

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Official Correction

The Post Office department advises that it was necessary to correct the figure issued as the number of covers carried on the first Clipper flight from Manila to San Francisco. By some discrepancy, the first figure announced was in the neighborhood of 2,543 covers; however the *correct* figure is 25,545 covers.

Plate Number Blocks

We are quoting a recent decision of the Post Office Department in regard to sales of plate number blocks of stamps through the Philatelic Agency. The statement needs no great explanation, but we would like to call attention of collectors here that it was the recent demand for plate blocks exclusively in purchase of mint stamps from the Agency that made necessary the recent additional printing order for five million more of the 25c air mail stamp. We might term it the "plate-block craze" so far-reaching it is in its scope as to include the school children, who also are beginning to collect their U. S. stamps in plate number blocks. This same demand for plate numbers in the case of the 50-cent Zeppelin so depleted the issue that it was necessary to remove it from the Agency list. For instance, the heavy purchase of only plate number blocks, 4 or 6 stamps out of a sheet of 50, pile up a heavy supply of broken sheets that not only tax the facilities for storage but also tie-up such enormous sums in clerks' stock credit, that it is necessary to keep redeeming and destroying such quantities on unsalable remainders, in order to replace that credit with salable items. That is the principle reason that there was no stock of left-over 50c Zeppelins in the Agency when it was removed from the list last June. Had collectors been content to buy this stamp in plain singles and blocks, there probably would have been a sufficient quantity of good material on hand to have kept that particular stamp on sale for two years longer. As it was, thousands of well-centered stamps were pasted to sheets for redemption from time to time. After all, good centering in stamps, particularly the higher values, should be classed as the important feature, and the fact that a plate number is attached to a block of stamps should not excuse it for being poorly centered and allowing it an important place in a collection. We are here quoting the official release restricting the sale of plate numbers to full sheets of stamps only, regardless of denomination.

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The Great Monks Live Again on the Stamps

By Harry M. Savacool

CHAPTER X

(Continued From Last Week)

St. Benedict fled school while he was a mere lad and became a hermit. His severe asceticism drew many followers to him and a colony of monks was formed. They withdrew to a rocky and inaccessible headland in the vicinity of Naples, tore down an old temple to Apollo which was on the spot, and built a monastery. There was considerable laxity in the monasteries of the time and Benedict drew up a strict rule for his Benedictines with the idea of ending these abuses and preventing such conditions in the future. The rule was very strict. Every movement of the day was carefully scheduled. Five and one-half hours were given to prayer and devotions, three and three-quarter hours to study, five and one-quarter hours to work, two hours to eating and resting, and seven and one-half hours to sleep. Benedict was gifted with a powerful personality and the Benedictines and their rule soon became very influential. Multitudes sought his counsel. Even the barbarian kings who were ravaging Italy at the time cowered at his feet and respected the Abbey, which became a haven of refuge. Many wondrous miracles were attributed to him. His new rule and order worked a great reformation in monasticism in the Western Church. When, at the end of his active and fruitful life, St. Benedict realized that his time had come to die he asked to be carried into the chapel. There he took communion and supported in the arms of the monks his breath passed with words of prayer.

The present buildings of Monte Cassino were built in the 17th and 18th centuries. The rule regarding study started the monastery on the way to being a center of learning, which it has been all through its history. While Europe was plunged into the ignorance of the Dark Ages learning lived on in this Abbey. Some of the greatest scholars of every century since the 6th have walked the courts and studied in the cells of this Abbey. It now contains a valuable library with many ancient manuscripts. In 1866 the Italian government enrolled the Abbey as a "National Monument." The Monte Cassino stamps are among the most beautiful ever issued. The designs are beautiful in every detail and of real artistic merit. The coloring is remarkable. There will be few more beautiful pages in your collection of "Religious Stamps" than the Monte Cassino page.

San Marino is a miniature republic located in the Italian Apennines. The population is less than 8000. It is named after its founder, a monk named Marius. He was a Dalmatian monk of the fourth century. When he fled from the Diocletian persecution he took refuge in the mountainous caves of what is now the Republic. Here he lived a simple rustic life filled with good deeds and devotions. Stories of his good deeds and the miracles he performed spread through the surrounding country. Through his influence the rich Roman lady who controlled this section was converted. She gave him the section of land which is now the Republic of San Marino. Here he lived a life of simple devotion welcoming all who came to him. Soon after he died his grave became a popular place of pilgrimage and many miracles were wrought there.

In some wonderful way the little Republic has maintained its independence. During the barbarian invasions many sought shelter in its rocky fastnesses and some stayed, forming the Republic. The body of St. Marius was stolen by the Lombards in 752. They carried it to San Michele Church in Pavia. This church claims to possess it still but the Marians contend that it was returned to them by Pepin. In 1923 the Republic issued a 30c stamp in honor of St. Marius (No. 69). The issue was on the occasion of a Fair or Exposition. The design showed St. Marius in artisan's clothes shaping a timber. This was very fitting for the occasion and also for the Saint who was not ashamed to earn his daily bread by humble toil.

The Bulgarian Monk, Father Paisey, has been honored in two Bulgarian stamp issues. In 1920 he was pictured (No. 152) in three-quarter length holding aloft in his hand a manuscript. In the 1929 issue (No. 216) he is shown writing at his desk. Father Paisey is honored among Bulgarians more for his patriotic services than for his religious work. He was a monk in the Monastery of Zograph, Mt. Athos, in the last half of the 18th century. At that time the whole country was in the hands of the Turks who were making systematic efforts to stamp out all Bulgarian national feeling. The Greek clergy were in control of the church in Bulgaria and were trying to convince the Bulgarians, and had succeeded to a great extent, that they were merely Greeks who had strayed. Father Paisey wrote a little history of the Bulgarian people, its Tzars and Saints. This book rekindled the spark of Bulgarian nationalism which ultimately led to the emancipation of the Bulgars. Consequently they regard Father Paisey as in a sense the father of their country. It shows the power of the pen, which is brought out on both stamps. Here again we see how precious heritages were preserved by the monks in their isolated monasteries.

In Greece also we find the monks and their monasteries centers of patriotic nationalism during the Turkish oppression of the country. They did much to preserve the Greek nationality and the Christian religion. They did not hesitate to take part in revolutionary plotting and even in the fighting itself. In 1930 Greece issued an 8d stamp (No. 363) in deep violet showing a view of the Arcadi Monastery in the Island of Crete with an inset picture of the Abbot Gabriel. In this monastery resistance to Turkish rule was fostered and when revolt flared up in Crete in 1866 the Arcadi Monastery and its Abbot, Gabriel, were not neutral. The Abbot, along with other monks, died heroically within their Monastery walls when it fell to the Turks.

We hope that these stamps bearing the portraits of the great monks will call to mind their heroic lives of unselfish service and give us a new appreciation of them and their contribution to our life and civilization.

"Time Wins the Don Quixote Fight on the Windmills"

Time has accomplished what Don Quixote was unable to do. Time and the machine age have turned the most ingenious devices of the past epoch into so much old junk. The Spanish Don will be remembered by all stamp collectors as the unique personality who took upon himself to have a duel with a windmill in which he came out second. This glorious scene is depicted on Spain's Don Quixote issue, especially A37 showing the exact scene of combat, a masterpiece in illustration.

Don Quixote tilted at windmills and got nothing better than a broken head for his pains. Today crumbling towers of disused mills dot the horizon of La Mancha.

Three windmills, white round towers with conical caps each bearing its four broad blades, stand in a row on a ridge at Campo de Criptana near Alcazar de San Juan. The ridge is humorously called "La Sierra", or mountain range, by the people of the wide plain over which "the knight of the sorrowful countenance" rode forth to right wrongs and save distressed damsels.

The three mills are all that remains of the long row of "fearful giants", which by art of magic, inconsiderately changed themselves into windmills when the lean knight charged them. On either side of the three stand the remains of the rest, some with broken sails, some with none, others roofless and threatening to collapse.

The three white mills beside the white village of Criptana are doomed because they do not pay. Their walls and beams are as sound as ever, the ingenious wooden gears that transmit the power from the blades to the moving stone and the apparatus for turning the cone to catch the wind still work perfectly.

—By Edwin Brooks, P. J. A.

Texas Centennial Stamp

Word comes from officials of the Texas Centennial Exposition which is to open at Dallas, Texas, on June 6, that the first day sale of the new Texas Stamp will most probably be at Gonzales, Texas, on March 2, Texas Independence Day. Gonzales is known as the Lexington of Texas, and is the place where the first shot in the Texas Revolution was fired. It is planned that the stamp will go on sale at all other Texas Postoffices on the following day.

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Straight From the Shoulder

A Few Minutes with the Editor

THE KING IS DEAD, LONG LIVE THE KING

The death of King George V of Great Britain is of great importance to the stamp collector and the stamp trade. Perhaps nothing that has happened since the World War will have so great an effect on Philately as his death.

It means a change in the postal issues of most all of the British Colonies and self governing territories.

Collectors of these issues will need look to completion of their collections of the present series of Georges and preparation to acquire the new Edward issues that will eventually follow.

King George was known as a stamp collector who gave much prestige to our hobby and his loss is mourned by collectors as one who has been one of them.

The new fad, the issuing of mourning stamps such as were issued for the late Queen Astrid of Belgium has not yet been adopted by any British Colony and we need not be surprised should such a stamp make its appearance from one of the Colonies, altho British precedent is such that there is little probability of such a stamp appearing from Great Britain.

Linn's Weekly Stamp News feels proud of the fact that it was the first of the stamp papers of America to pay tribute to the late King by an appropriate Mourning cover on its edition of last week.

A brief article, with some facts about the collection of stamps owned by the King is in this issue and we anticipate other news of interest to collectors in the coming months as a result of the change in British Rulers.

ATTEND AN ANNUAL MEETING

In the past several years it has become the custom of most progressive and wide awake stamp clubs to hold a large annual meeting, together with an exhibition, bourse and banquet. These meetings come mostly throughout the winter months and are as a rule open to the public and all stamp collectors. Many such meetings are staged at a heavy cost to the club which sponsors them. Frequently the cost in all will run into several hundred dollars.

It is to the credit of Philately and Stamp Collecting that such meetings are possible and they are only possible in many instances because of the untiring work and the unselfish help of a number of individual members of some of the clubs.

These meetings are always worthy of your support and if you have never attended such a meeting we urge you to watch for the one that may be held in your vicinity and make it a point to be there.

The most we get out of stamp collecting is the friendships we make and enjoy and we know of no other hobby, no fraternity or organization of any nature that provides so many and so good and happy friendships as may be acquired through stamp collecting.

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1936 Exhibition News

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The Committees in charge are now holding meetings two or three times a week and the floor plans have had to be revised several times to make room for new exhibits.

For instance, the Post Office Department and the Philatelic Agency will require 12 sales windows to handle the contemplated crowds and the various other special departments are in proportion.

Contracts are now being let for the frames and booths. The frames are of a special design that has been developed by Arthur E. Owen, the engineer on the Committee, and space has been provided for 3216 of them. When you remember that there were only one-third this number in the 1926 show, the scope of this present exhibition can be better realized.

There will be 114 booths for dealers, and these are going very rapidly. The fee for a booth is $200, but to secure choice of location the dealer must bid at an auction to be held on February 17th. At this time all those who have reserved booths will be invited to visit Grand Central Palace either in person or by proxy. The privilege of first, second, third, etc., will be auctioned off. Those who do not care to pay the extra premium need not do so but they will of course have to be satisfied with the spaces that are assigned to them.

A uniform gray color-scheme has been selected.

George V

The world's most prominent stamp collector has suddenly left us and gone to his reward. A king; a man beloved by all the world; a man whose family and official life was always a model one; a man whom John Masefield, the British poet laureate has just called,

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Let us further rejoice over the beautiful sets of stamps issued to mark his twenty five years on the throne, and let us remember that during the great war he at first told C. J. Phillips to send him no more approvals, and then requested him to continue to do so, as in his stamps he found the best relief from his immense sorrows and cares.

—Capt. A. C. Townsend.

New Society in Baltimore

A new adult Philatelic Society has been organized in Baltimore, Md. The organization is known as the Maryland Philatelic Society and will hold meetings every Friday evening at 8:15 P. M. at room 413 Munsey Building. Gordon L. Warnken is the secretary and collectors may contact him by addressing him at 3021 Presstman Street.

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Jack Knight

Jack Knight, transport pilot, has flown 15,000 hours and over 1,500,000 miles without an accident. He is one of the oldest air mail pilots in the United States today and he first flew the airmail between Washington, D. C. and New York City in 1919, later the trans-continental route when the army flew the mail. He aided in making the first day and night flight on February 21, 1921. He picked up the mail at Cheyenne, Wyo. and flew non-stop to Chicago in record time although he had never flown this portion of the route before.

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Surely this is a record to be proud of. No doubt some of you are lucky enough to have covers that he flew on various first flights, perhaps some with his autograph.

First 1936 Transport Crash

The first airplane crash during 1936 and the worst on record occurred when the deluxe air liner, "The Southerner", operated by the American Air Lines, crashed on its westward trip January 15, 1936 near Goodwin, Arkansas in a swamp. Seventeen passengers and employees of the air company lost their lives. The plane was bound for Little Rock, Arkansas, and motor trouble was the probable cause of the accident. The pilot to all appearances was trying to glide to an emergency landing field when he hit the tops of the trees where the accident occurred. About 200 pounds of mail were carried and the crash scattered this mail broadside but postal inspectors believe that it was all recovered.

The Department of Commerce plan to use thousands of gallons of black and orange paint in marking the names of towns and airports every 15 miles along the air mail routes. Arrows will point to the nearest airport.

United Air Lines predicted that by mid summer a single ticket will take you around the world. Then, some of us collectors may start covers around the world by air.

Fred and Al Key of Mississippi plan to make a non-stop world record flight this summer but will not go out of the United States, flying a triangular course.

Coushatta and Many, La. have been granted funds for airports.

The new German Zeppelin will make her first Trans-Atlantic trip during the latter part of March to South America and a new hangar at Rio de Janeiro will be dedicated when she lands. She will make alternate trips with the Graf Zeppelin until the latter part of April or the forepart of May when she will inaugurate service to the U. S. Trial flights are scheduled to occur about January 20.

Harry Mason, 18 So. Wild Olive Ave., Daytona Beach, Florida will sponsor a cachet when Adm. Byrd visits that city on March 14, 1936. Commemoratives appreciated and no postage dues. AIR MAIL RATE ONLY.

Speaking of Byrd covers, Chas. L. Wilkins says that he has a cover franked with a 5c Canal Zone stamp and mailed on November 29, 1928 by the Chief Engineer of the S. S. City of New York on board that vessel. It will be remembered that this ship was the one that carried Byrd on his first trip to the South Pole. He asks the cover's probable value but we are unable to state what it is worth.

Decorah, Iowa plans on dedicating this spring. Covers to C. of C. . . . St. Johnsbury, Vt. says no date set but C. of C. will hold covers. . . . The 16c special delivery airmail stamp will be re-issued as a bi-color, red frame and blue center. . . . January 10 marked the Inauguration of multi-motored trans-continental passenger plane service by the American Airways and Joseph W. Jones of Bristol, Tenn. sends us a cover with bi-color cachet to mark the event.

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(*) It sometimes happens that the Secretary is not so situated as to be able to meet visitors who desire to meet the local collectors or attend the local club meeting. If this is the case, a member whom visiting collectors may contact is so noted at the foot of the Club data. If the Secretary's name is marked thus (*), it indicates that he is the Contact Man.

Abbreviations: A. P. S.—American Philatelic Society; S. P. A.—Society for Philatelic Americans; A. A. M. S.—American Air Mail Society; U. S. A.—Universal Stamp Association; J.—Juniors; S.—Seniors.

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Chicago Air Mail Society

At the annual election of the Chicago Air Mail Society, Elmer Stuart was named president; H. E. Breuer, vice president; Richard Canman, secretary and Dr. H. C. Snyder, treasurer.

The club has changed its place of meeting to the LaSalle Hotel and meetings are to be held on the second and fourth Friday each month. All collectors of airmail stamps and covers are urged to attend.

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LUXEMBURG—New pictorial. Horizontal rectangular format. Numeral of value in lower right corner and country name across the bottom. Unwmkd. perf. 12½x12:

A23—10fr green

Official Stamps. Above value overprinted in red "Official." Strange as it may seem the official stamp is on paper watermarked multiple letters. Perf. same as above.

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

MANCHUKUO—Type of 1935 issue. Wmkd. characters. Perf. 13x13½.

A7—5f blue

Also add the following to your catalog:
#64a Horizontal pair, imperf. between

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

MEXICO—Commemorative. Honoring Emiliano Zapata. Perf. 10½; Wmkd. Correos Mexico. Upright rectangular format. Line engraved. Numeral of value across the top and Correos Mexico along the right side reading down:

A122—10c violet (Emiliano Zapata)

(R. Roberts)

MEXICO—Air Post Stamps—Madero Commemorative Issue. Horizontal rectangular format: wmkd Scott's type #156, perf. 10½x10:
AP23—20c scarlet (Pres. Francisco I. Madero)

Regular Issue, large upright **Perf. 10x10½:**
AP24—40c blue (Azteca design)

(R. Roberts)

Postal Insurance Stamps. Scott's have seen fit to recognize the stamps told about by us in a news item on page #237, of the Jan. 11th issue of Linn's. All are upright rectangular format, perf. 10½, wmkd. Scott's type #156:

PI1—10c vermilion (Insured letters)
PI2—50c dark blue (Registered Mail Bag)
PI3—1P turquoise green (Safe)

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

NEW ZEALAND—Pictorial, new die. The lines of shading in the sky are very much heavier and clearly defined. They are printed dry from new plate, in specially made sheets for booklets, there being a margin each side of every pair with advertisement reading downwards both sides "Ask for PARISIAN Ties—See the Tab"

1p carmine

(R. Roberts)

NORWAY—Semi-postal Stamps. Large upright format, 25x36½mm. Perf. 13½. Sheets of 50 (5x10). Wmkd. posthorn. Portrait of Nansen:

10 ore plus 10 ore—green
15 " " 10 " —red-brown
20 " " 10 " —scarlet
30 " " 10 " —deep ultramarine

(R. Roberts)

PANAMA—Stamp of 1926 overprinted in black "HABILITADA." Unwmkd. perf. 12½:

A54—5c dark blue

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

PARAGUAY—Air Post Stamps. One a new color, the other a new design. The latter is a square format about 35mm. perf. to perf. unwmkd. paper on both, lower value is perf. 12, while other is perf. 11½:

AP21—33.75P carmine

102P carmine (Iglesia de la Encarnacion)

(H. G. Spanton)

PORTUGAL—1935 Geographical.

F5—blue

(R. Roberts)

RUSSIA—The special flight stamp, chronicled by us in our notes of Oct. 5, 1935, has been recognized by Scott's, for they list same in their last Monthly Journal.

SPANISH GUINEA—New perforation. Perforated 10. Printed in sheets of 50:

All—1c blue-green
All—2c chocolate

(R. Roberts)

SWITZERLAND—Official Stamps. For the League of Nations. Under-noted, overprinted in black in three lines, same as similar stamps in Scott's catalog. Wmkd. Greek Cross. Perf. 11½:

A49—15c orange

(Scott's Monthly Journal)

25c "Clipper"

There are many rumors that this stamp is to be dropped and a new one issued without the "November 1935" date on it. We can see no sense in this. The date shows the time of the inauguration of the regular overseas airmail service and should be left there. No need of getting out a new variety to take more money from collectors. The probable 75c and $1.00 varieties for full service will take care of that.

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Exhibition Material

An array of unlisted and unusual items belonging to Capt. Pforzheimer of Fort Thomas, Ky. I shall mention the ones that appeal to me and I think you will agree that there are some UNUSUAL items in the lot. Fresno, Calif., in U-82 on the Edison Coil; Suffern, N. Y. U-10, 8c inv. and 9c current issue in blue ink; a pair of ½c Hales from Las Vegas, Nev. the left hand stamp in a typewriter type, probably mimeographed, the right hand stamp in U-121; Portsmouth, O., U-53 on the Liberty Bell; Kansas City, Mo., 1c Walloon U-3 double, one nor. and one invert.; The 8c and 12c current stamps from Huntsville, Ala., in two types. Doubles each stamp bearing a U-53 and a U-85 impression; a 5c Norse Amer. from Northampton, Mass., in type 13; A 3c Victory from Ypsilanti, Mich., in type 4; 10c city type coil Washington, N. J., U-45; Granville, N. Y., on the Edison sheet stamp in U-85; A 1917 issue 30c from Lewistown, Mont., in type 2; A second issue 16c airmail on part original cover from Corning, N. Y., in type 3; A vertical pair of 1½c side view Hardings from Huntington, W. Va., in U-5, the lower stamp entirely devoid of an impression; A vertical pair of old style postage dues from Rochester, N. Y. in U-12 type, the top stamp one normal impression, the bottom stamp one normal and one inverted impression. This does not nearly cover the array shown me as there were many doubles and unlisted items but space does not permit the mentioning of any more now.

Buro Notes

John Wilson of Jamaica, N. Y., sent me a lot of buro items to look over among the more interesting items was a 1c coil (121) from Peekskill, N. Y. that would pass in a lot of general collections as a double. No it was not the kind of a double that was caused by offset, but was caused I think, by the adjusting of the printing rolls while running, making the paper slide just a little. This to my way of thinking is the same operation that causes stretches. This in the case of the coil stamps would make it look like two impressions almost on top of each other, in other words the letters are slid sideways, while in the sheet stamps they are slid end ways cause the letters to be elongated. John also has a copy of the 6c Saint Louis, Mo. B-11 with the small MO. as mentioned in this column as being seen on the 1c ord.—A complete description of the San Francisco and New York City buro plate repairs is to be found in the January BEE written by H. M. Southgate.

Just Precancels

A word at last from Eddie Christ of St. Louis. He sends me a MICH. commem from Lebanon, Mo., in U-120 and tells me that the 8c Parks, 2c Lake Placid, 2c Red Cross and 3c Wisconsin have also been used there. I was beginning to fear that maybe Eddie had fallen in the old Mississippi while dunking his precancels and that I would hear from him no more. I picked up a 5c Herrodsburg, Ky. Kosciuszko in U-121, a 1c ord. from Gassaway, W. Va., in U-121. Gamber mentions in the Jan. BEE a 6c city type coil from Chicago, used by the mail order houses.

Annual Canton Party

The McKinley Stamp Club of Canton, Ohio, will hold its annual meeting on February 15th and 16th. There will be a banquet and exhibition at the Onesto Hotel. Donald Dickason of Wooster, Ohio, will be the speaker of the evening. Don will also hold one of his regular auctions at this meeting.

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Broadway Chatter

By Bi Stander

Uncle Don, that radio performer who has a way with children, over WOR here, suggests to youthful hearers that they should get acquainted with stamp collecting as he thinks it is interesting and instructive. It is difficult to estimate the good these unsolicited testimonials do to our hobby.

If Adam and Eve had started to grieve, 'cause they had no stamps in the Garden. Our advice to the pair to remedy this lack. All they'd have to do is go modern.

Cartoon stamps issued by the Republican Council should be barred and held unmailable in a decision given to Postmaster General Farley by Karl A. Crowley, solicitor of the Postoffice Department and relate to those cartoon stamps that hold up to personal ridicule President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

The variation in the price of the Philippine Clipper stamps mint is great here. One large dealer sells the set for 35 cents and another for $1.00.

We are in the midst of a raging blizzard here but that does not deter dyed in the wool collectors. Weather means nothing to real collectors for they make their rounds of the different dealers searching for the elusive bits of paper to add zest to their collections.

Now that Texas will have a commemorative stamp, it is now in order that every state that has not had a stamp issued for it be honored in this fashion.

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Perforations →	PERFORATED ALL AROUND									Imperforate		Coil Stamps	
	11	11	11x10	10	11x 10½	Surcharged 11 x 10½						10 Vert.	10 Horz.
Printing →	Flat	Rotary	Flat	Rotary	Rotary	Rotary				Flat	Rotary	Rotary	Rotary
Surcharge →						Molly Pitcher	Hawaii 1778-1928	Kans.	Nebr.				
Denomination & Subject Color & Shade													
½c Nathan Hale Olive Brown	551				653								
Pale Olive Brown	551												
Deep Olive Brown	551												
1c Franklin Green	552	594	578	581	632			658	669	575		597	604
Deep Green	552									575			
Pale Green	552			581									
Yellow Green					632							597	
1½c Harding (profile) Yellow Brown	553				633					576	631		605
Brown	553			582				659	670	576			
Pale Yellow Brown	553									576			
Deep Brown				582	633							598	
1½c Harding (full face) Brown					684							686	
2c Washington Carmine	554	595	579	583	634	646		660	671	577		599	606
Carmine Rose							647						
Light Carmine	554									577			
Pale Carmine	554												
Deep Carmine		595	579	583								599	
2c Harding Black	611			613						612			
Intense Black	611												
Gray Black	611			613									
3c Lincoln Violet	555			584	635			661	672			600	
Deep Violet	555												
Dark Violet	555												
Red Violet	555												
Bright Violet	555												
4c Martha Washington Yellow Brown	556			585	636			662	673			601	
Brown	556											601	
Deep Yellow Brown				585									
4c Taft Brown					685							687	

Year of Issue →	1925	1923	1925	1923	1925	1922-26	1925	1924	1925	1922-6	1923	1925	1923
Scott Cat. No. →	551	552	553	554, 555, 556, 575	576	577, 578, 579, 581	582	583	584, 585	594, 595	597	598	599

Year of Issue →	1924	1926	1924	1925	1923	1926	1927	1926	1927	1928	1929
Scott Cat. No. →	600	601	604	605	606, 611, 612, 613	631	632, 633	634	635, 636	646, 647	653, 658, 659, 660, 661

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